



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No.: 2040

HOSHINO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2653

Appln. No.: 09/695,284

Examiner: Thang V. Tran
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Filed: October 25, 2000

Title: OPTICAL HEAD AND OPTICAL DISC APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH OPTICAL HEAD

December 22, 2003

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT **RECEIVED**

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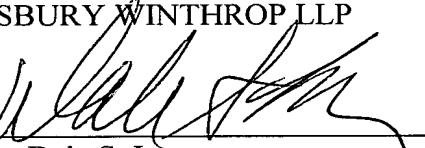
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2003, Applicants provisionally elects Group II, Claims 14-21, with traverse.

In view of the above, it is believed this application is in condition for allowance, and such a notice is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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